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THEFT CASES AT AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of theft of baggage of passengers have increased in the past few months in renowned airports including Indira Gandhi International Airport Delhi in the country;

(b) if so,the details of such incidents reported during the current year;

(c) whether the officials of security, customs and airport are deliberately stealing baggage of passengers at airports;

(d) if so,whether the Government proposes to enquire into the matter and book the officials responsible for such thefts;and

(e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a)&(b): Information on the cases of theft are being collected from Police.

(c),(d)&(e): Actions,as per law,are taken by CISF and local Police.To curb such incidents,all loaders are frisked thoroughly before and after the loading,vigilance has been enhanced at airports,loading/unloading of checked-in baggage is done under supervision of security,automated in-line Baggage X-Ray Screening system is being introduced at major airports.